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Our Beligious Column. MIX SOME HICKORY STICK WITH

YOUR PRAYERS. God answers the prayers of those only who believe, and doubt not, that the ob- WHOLESALE & RETAIL ject or thing for which they pray will be granted. "Whatsoever ye ask in my name, believing, that will I do. " Fathers, can you believe that God will convert your children, when you know that you have not done your duty toward them? Can you believe that God will set without your instrumentality; that He will convert, reclaim, regenerate them miraculously? Fathers, readers of the Caucasian, some of you have from one to half a dozen sons, who are the scourge of the neighborbood in which you live. They are the Ishmaels of the church to which you belong. They are the scotfers, the revilers the ridiculers of religion, the vestibule loafers and rowdics-the blasphemers of God in His own holy temple. They are the street-rovers on Sunday; peace-dis turbers all through the week. The smaller ones stone your neighbors' better-behaved children. They ill-treat and abuse those weaker than themselves. They lie to your face, but you only feel humiliated, and you pray God to reform them. They behave scandalously everywhere; you are distressed, and you pray God to convert and save them. They get into difficulties. and you feel sad, and then you pray to 'INDIANOLA' COOKING STOVE, God with all your might to create a new heart and renew a right spirit within them.

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"O, God, move upon the hearts of our children and convert them;" when instead, you ought to pray, "O, God, give us the determination to use a hickory out charge. us the determination to use a hickory stick upon their backs " "God moves St. Louis wholesale prices in a mysterious way; but He never answers such prayers. It is the duty of parents to co-operate in the salvation of their wayward children. Have you appealed to their reason, their pride, and their love for you. Have you laid down the law to them? the law to them? Have you done your whole duty to them? We fear not. Try it over. Take a tresh start. Fall back on parental law and a good stout hickory spront. They are sometimes valuable

rotten squash. RIGID RIGHTEOUSNESS.

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with great success. Let us take a lesson from the past, and mix a little tough

vigorous hickory with our prayers; an

Spare the larruping and spoil the urchin, said one far superior in wisdom to all the

mawkish sentimentalizers of this age of

BE YE NOT AS THE HYPOCRITES. OF A SAD COUNTENANCE. Jesus loved children, and in illustrating that preparation which entitles adults to refuge within the pearly gates sjar. He said, 'unless ye become as little children, ye cannot enter into the kingdom et heaven." What a rebuke to those long-faced religious barebones, who have grown so stiff-visaged and sad-countenanced that a ripple of innocent child's laughter throws them into conniptions o sanctimonious horror. Were the children whom Jesus suffered to come unto Him, and rebuking His disciples said. ties, wearing old folks' sad and disfigured faces; or were they innocent prattlers. such as are to be found now in the world whose laughter bespeaks light-heartedness, Joyousness and purity? We believe that the little children whom Jesus commended as types of that earthly perfection, which every man must possess before he can see God, were just like the little children of to-day; and if they were natural children, that is, unprecocious and unlearned in the follies and deceptions clinging to older persons in every age. then they were joyous, laughter-loving then they were joyous, laughter-loving children, wreathed in happiest smiles; for Bufactories on the Upper Missouri, and have such is untarnished childhood. Who that has read the sermons of Jesus, and has sought to eateh the Spirit which pervades | Carriages, Buggies, Rockaways them, will dare assert that the children whom He bore in His arms, were of a sad countenance, having disfigured their faces to appear dolefully holy in His presence. And yet there are those, who have become so groove-worn in church sing-songery and ding-dongery; who are so grave, or sad, or sour, that they have forgotten they, too, were once children, and that there is a difference between old and young people. They seem to forget that, if they have passed the age of merriment and laughter, the militons coming rapidly after them—the little ones—are still children; and that many of them are pure, and need not to have a them are pure, and need not to have a "godly sorrow," or to mourn for sins not yet committed. Jesus says the angels of children—("their angels")—always behold their Father in heaven, and yet no man hath seen God. Some Christians fall into the mistaken idea that there are no degrees in worship, which are accepta-ble to the Supreme Being. They cannot conceive why they should mourn their sins, while their off-pring of tender age should not also wear dolorous visages and

that there are degrees of worship suited to the conditions of the human race, each fully as acceptable to God as the other. In other words, because a reclaimed or pafoned sinner, mourns that he ever offendad so good and loving a Parent, and pre-fers those means of grace—a class room, prayer meeting, and weeping associates—is no reason why children with their exuberant spirits and less sinful lives, usy not worship God fully as acceptably to Him through the medium of song, and even the spirits and less sinful lives. Carriage Makers when innocent merriment breaks forth in Sabbath assemblies. "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." was never meant as an injunction to parents to put their little children in straight-jackets on that day; nor to restrain them from any reasonable ebuiltion of pleasurable emolion or from any process. called Jesus to account for what they deemed a violation of the Sabbath, in that

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